Mr. P. V. Raphael.—To inquire whether the complaint is reasonable.

Mr. Paul Mampilli.—Cannot even depressed classes pass along that path without polluting the temple ?

Mr. P. V. Raphael.—It is quite possible.

Mr. Paul Mampilli.—What is the objection for not putting up the bridge ?

Mr. P. V. Raphael.—When there is a complaint, it is the duty of the Government to inquire into it.

Mr. M. Krishna Menon.—Is the road adjoining the temple poramboke ?

Mr. P. V. Raphael.—It is.

Mr. K. Ayyappan.—Is not the complaint absurd ?

Mr. P. V. Raphael.—It is a matter of opinion.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Is it not a Government poramboke ?

Mr. P. V. Raphael.—It is considered as poramboke.

Mr. M. K. Raman.—Which is considered as poramboke ?

Mr. P. V. Raphael.—The road leading to the poramboke thodu.

Housing the Narakkal Dispensary.

510. Mr. Paul Mampilli.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) are the Government aware that Narakkal Dispensary is having the highest average attendance of out-patients of all the hospitals and dispensaries in the State;

(2) are the Government aware that the dispensary building is in a very unsatisfactory condition;

(3) was there not a proposal to construct a building for the dispensary,

(4) if so, when was the proposal made;

(5) did not the Government approve the proposal;

(6) did the Government provide any fund to carry out the proposal;

(7) do the Government intend to house the dispensary in a proper building?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—(1) It comes next to the General Hospital. The number of out-patients attending the Narakkal Dispensary is very high.

(2) Yes.

(3) Yes.

(4) In 1105 and in the subsequent years.

(5) Yes.

(6) No.

(7) Yes, when funds are available.

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Mr. Paul Mampilli.—Did the attendance of the Narakkal Dispensary come above that of the General Hospital at any time?

Dr. D. Reghavendra Rao.—During some months.

Mr. Paul Mampilli.—How many ?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—During certain epidemic months.

Mr. Paul Mampilli.—In last Karkadagam was there any epidemic ?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—There were influenza, dysentery, diarrhoea, etc.

Mr. Paul Mampilli.—May I know when funds will be available ?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—That is too much to predict now.

Mr. Paul Mampilli.—Will it be in the near future ?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—Cannot be said now.

Appointments in the Central Ayurvedic Hospital.

511. Mr. Paul Mampilli.—(1) Will the Government be pleased to place on the table a list of officers appointed for the Central Ayurvedic Hospital;

(2) will the Government be pleased to state whether they called for applications before the appiontments were made;

(3) if not, why were not applications called for?

Mr. U. Kandar Menon.—(1) The list is placed on the table. (*Appendix I.*)

(2) and (3) The final orders of Government regarding the opening of the Ayurvedic Hospital with particulars of the strength of the staff, etc., were published in the Gazette for the information of the public and hence it was deemed unnecessary to call for applications for the appointments.

Mr. Paul Mampilli.—Did the Government receive any application ?

Mr. U. Kandar Menon.—Applications have been received.

Mr. Paul Mampilli.—How many ?

Mr. U. Kandar Menon.—Fifty-nine.

Mr. Paul Mampilli.—Did the Government receive any application from a Christian ?

Mr. U. Kandar Menon.—I shall just verify.

Mr. George Chakyamuri.—Was the principle of communal representation forgotten when this appointment was made?

Mr. U. Kandar Menon.—Nothing was forgotten. I think there was one application from a Christian.

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